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In re Application of:
Alan R. Reinberg et al.

Serial No.: 09/740,256

Filed: December 19, 2000

For: SMALL ELECTRODE FOR A
CHALCOGENIDE SWITCHING
DEVICE AND METHOD FOR
FABRICATING SAME

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Group Art Unit: 2811

Examiner: Tran, Thien F.

Atty Docket: MCRO:106--2/FLE
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AMENDMENT

In response to the Official Action mailed on May 21, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

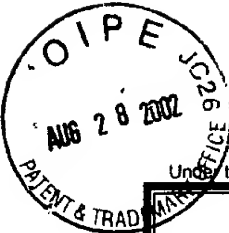
Please amend claims 32 and 47 as set forth below:

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32 (once amended). A memory cell comprising:

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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 1.32, effective May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application
filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14965 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1.

Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

a. ☐ Previously submitted

i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

iii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment/Reply

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. ☐ Other _____

2.

Miscellaneous

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) (required)

b. ☐ Other _____

3.

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a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 13-3092

i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) 08/29/2002 AWONDAF1 00000126 133092 09740256

ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)

iii. ☒ Other dependent claims 78-91 01 FC:179 740.00 CH

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